

**[PRICE \$2½ PER MONTH.]**

## INTIMATIONS

**T** FOR NINGPO AND SHANGHAI.  
**THE Steamship**  
 "CHINKIANG,"  
 Or, Master, will be despatched for the above  
 Ports, **TODAY**, the 22d inst, at 4 p.m.  
 For Freight or Passage apply to  
**SIEMSSSEN & Co.**  
**Hongkong, 21st February, 1878.** [357]  
**FOR SHANGHAI**  
**THE Steamship**  
 "AMOI,"  
 G. H. Drewes, Master, will be despatched for  
 the above Ports **TODAY**, the 22nd inst, at  
 4 p.m.  
 For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**SIEMSSSEN & Co.**  
**Hongkong, 21st February, 1878.** [358]  
**FOR SWATOW, AMOI, AND FOOCHEW**  
**THE Steamship**  
 "NAMOA,"  
 Captain Panchard, will be despatched for the  
 above Ports on **SUNDAY**, the 24th inst, at  
 Daylight.  
 For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**DOUGLAS LAFLAIX & Co.**  
**Hongkong, 21st February, 1878.** [359]  
**FOR MANILA.**  
**THE Spanish Barque**

**"MINERVA,"**  
 Discharge, Master, will have immediate despatch as above.  
 For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**RUSSELL & Co.,**  
 Hongkong, 22nd February 1878. [1w38]  
**FOR SAN FRANCISCO.**  
**THE A1 British Bark**  
**"E. P. BOUVIERE."**  
 Evans, Master, will have quick despatch for the above Port.  
 For Freight, apply to  
**RUSSELL & Co.,**  
 Hongkong, 21st February 1878. [1w36]  
**NOTICE.**  
**M<sup>r</sup>. THOMAS ISAAC ROSE** is authorized to contract for the sale of the **YANKEE** of the **BOERNE COMPANY, LIMITED,** at HONGKONG, and to SIGN the presentation.  
**J. HARVEY,**  
 Managing Director.  
 London, 14th December, 1877. [1w382]  
**FOR SALE,** a **GG**, 25 ft. base by 4 ft. 10 in., with the necessary **Corn, Sails, Masts, &c.** Boat-hooks, **Yarn, &c.** Also, **Yoke Trees, Cushions, Awning, Awning Standards, &c.**

(Clocks, together with a Pair of DAVITS, with  
 Blocks, Falls, and Slings. For view, apply at  
 the Office of the Harbour Master.)  
 Hongkong, 22nd February, 1878.  
**T H H E S T A G H O T E L,**  
 10, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,  
 HONGKONG.  
 Is now undergoing EXTENSIVE ALTERATIONS  
 AND REPAIRS, and will be ENTIRELY RE-FUR-  
 NISHED AND OPENED for BUSINESS on March  
 4th, under new Management.  
 First rate-accommodation for Visitors.  
 Attached to the Hotel is a commodious Billiard Room.  
**WINES and SPIRITS of the BEST**  
**QUALITY ONLY.**  
**PROPRIETOR—J. C. COOK.**  
**STAG HOTEL, QUEEN'S ROAD.**  
**E H I N - G,**  
 IRON, YELLOW METAL COPPER,  
 AND HARDWARE MERCHANT,  
 No. 16, KWONG TUXE, EAST STREET,  
 HONGKONG.  
 Also Purchaser of Old Yellow Metal and Copper.  
**NOTICE.**  
 ALL CLAIMS against the Bark "AL-  
 FRINGTON" or the MASTER, Captain  
 CUNNINGHAM, who is bound to Messrs.  
 WHEELER & Co, for settlement before the sale of  
 the said Vessel on SATURDAY, or they will

not to be recognised.  
 Hongkong, 21st February, 1878. [363]

**O R I E N T A L H O T E L,**  
 WELLINGTON STREET, HONGKONG.  
 STOCKING, SHEN AND ROSE,  
 PROPRIETORS.

TIPPIET-AT-DEPOT, DINNER AT SEVEN.  
 Wines, Spirits, &c., of the Best Quality only.  
 English, French, and German Spoken.

**BILLIARD ROOMS—BOWLING ALLEYS.**

**NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.**

STAMSHIP "AMAZONE."  
 COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
 MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship  
 "INDUS".

From London, in connection with the above  
 Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods  
 are being land at their risk at the  
 Company's Godown, whomever delivery may be  
 obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless  
 notification is received from the Consignees be-  
 fore FIVE O'CLOCK the 21st instant, at 4 P.M., re-  
 questing it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the  
 Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after WEDNES-  
 DAY the 27th instant, at Noon, will be sub-  
 ject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurances have been effected.

H. DU POUËY,

Hongkong, 21st February, 1878. Agent.

**OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.**

**CONSIGNEES**—per Company's Steamer "ANCHISES":

Are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Crates or Boxes at the Godowns of the Undersigned; in both cases it will lie at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 21st February, 1878.

Good consignment orders after the 28th February, 1878, will be subject to Rent.

**BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.**  
Hongkong, 21st February, 1878. [384]

**FROM HIOGO AND NAGASAKI.**

**THE Steamship**

**"STATE OF ALABAMA"**

Having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, where they may be stored until Goods delivery may be obtained.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 27th instant will be subject to rent.

**W. H. HENDERSON & Co.**  
Hongkong, 20th February, 1878. [385]

**COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.**

**NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.**

**CONSIGNEES** of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the undersigned for immediate cargo and to make immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurances have been effected.

**H. de POUEY.**

Agent.  
 EX "AVA."  
 E.G., Mr. A. Marty, 11 pieces Wood, from Saigon.  
 E.G., Mr. A. Marty, 8 cases Shells, from Saigon.  
 E.P. (in diamond), Nos. 177/8, Order, 2 cases.  
 Held from London.



**POST-OFFICE NOTIFICATION**

**A MAIL WITH-CELOS.**  
For Swatow.—To-day, the 22nd instant, at 7.30 A.M.  
For Amoy and Manila.—Per Enmy, the 22nd instant, at 1.30 p.m.  
For Hongkong.—To-day, the 22nd instant, at 1.30 p.m.  
For Shanghai.—Per Amoy, to-day, the instant, at 8.30 P.M.  
For Yokohama and Shanghai.—Per China to-day, the 23rd instant, at 8.30 P.M.  
For Kinko.—To-day, at 8.30 P.M.  
For Yokoama.—De Tanise, to-day, the instant, at 8.30 P.M.  
For Shanghai.—Per Amazona, to-morrow, the 24th instant, at 11 A.M. Late letters from 11.10 to 11.30 A.M., with 18 cents late fee.  
For Bangkok.—Per Rajanathanian, to-morrow, the 23rd instant, at 11.30 A.M.  
For Singapore.—Per Bertha, to-morrow, the instant, at 11.30 A.M. Private ship rates; respondents for New Zealand, Tasmanian Adelaide can be sent.  
For Canton.—Per Amoy, and Foochow Naohe, to-morrow, the 23rd instant, at 5 A.M.  
For Straite Settlements.—On Monday, the 25th instant, at 1.30 P.M.

**MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET**  
The English Contract Packet "IN" will be posted with the 26th inst. at 5 P.M. THURSDAY, the 23rd instant, at 5 P.M.  
The following will be the hours of closing Mails, &c.:—  
**WEDNESDAY, 27th instant,**  
5 P.M. Money Order Office closes.  
6 P.M. Post Office closes except the Night Mail, which remains open all night.  
**THURSDAY, 28th instant,**  
9 A.M. Post Office opens for sale of Sundry Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.  
10 A.M. Post Office closes except for Letters. Registry of Letters closes.  
10.15 A.M. Letters and orders posted on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage, up to 11 A.M., when the Post Office CLOSES at 11.30 A.M. Letters (but Letters only) addressed to Hongkong, Amoy, and other ports of Singapore, may be posted on board the vessel with Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage, up to 11.50 A.M., when the Mail is finally closed.

**MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET**  
The French Contract Packet "AVAL" will be despatched from Hongkong on Friday, the 7th March, at 11 A.M., via Singapore through the United Kingdom and India via Marseilles; to Saigon, Singapore, B. Allen, Pondicherry, Madras, Calcutta, D. Galle, Suez, and Alexandria.  
Late letters will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:—  
**WEDNESDAY, 6th March:**  
5 P.M. Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes the NIGHT BOX, which remains open all night.  
**THURSDAY, 7th March:**  
7 A.M. Post Office opens for sale of Sundry Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.  
10 A.M. Registry of Letters closes.  
11 A.M. Post Office closes except for Letters.  
11.10 A.M. Letters (but Letters only) posted on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage, until  
11.30 A.M., when the Post Office CLOSES entirely.

**COMMUNICATION WITH BATAVIA**  
Two fortnightly mails are fitted to leave for the outward F. & O. Mail from Europe by the French Packets for Batavia via Singapore for the Packets from China, for the return mail.

It follows that, to forward Correspondence to Batavia with the least delay, the best time for the best opportunities :—  
In the S.W. Mail, the first Brindisi.  
The English Mail.  
The French Mail.  
In the N.E. Monsoon,  
A Private Steamer, some few days before the regular mail.  
The French Mail.

**BROMISATION NO BANGKOK.**  
Her Britannic Majesty's Consul for Siam has good enough to make arrangements means of which correspondence can be forwarded to Bangkok, at the usual charges.

**SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' LETTERS**  
Prizes for H.M.S. "Hector," Captain Viscount O'Brien, (Capt. and Rear Admiral), Assistant Engineer, Gunner, Boatswain, or Carpenter, Army Schoolmaster, Superintendent, or First Class or Second Class Petty Officer, or other members of the United Kingdom via Southampton by Packet for one penny; or by Brindisi by Packet for three-pence. Hongkong was prepay for the correspondence between the Home and Imperial Stamps.  
Soldiers' and Sailors' letters are charged as ordinary letters if they do not conform to the following regulations :—  
1.—Not to exceed half an ounce.  
No letters are allowed.  
2.—If from a Soldier or Sailor, his description must be stated in full on the envelope, and he must give name, rank, and name of Regiment, or Ship, or Full name.  
3.—If to a Soldier or Sailor, his classification must be stated in full, with his Regiment, or Ship, &c., in full.  
The attention of owners, agents, and clerks of steamers is drawn to the provisions of the Post Office Ordinances, 1876, which forbid the departure of a vessel if not required to do so by the Post Office.  
Notice is now required of any departure, with regard to sailing ships, the old rule practically remains in force, that notice be given to the Post Office.  
Section XXV. requires that the first notice be sent to the Post Office.  
In the case of steamers plying regularly fixed days, notices of any change in the schedule of sailing dates being such as to require alteration of the following :

Stamped correspondence may still be boarded any vessel after the Mail is closed. Post Office.  
General Masters-General takes this opportunity of calling the attention of firms to the fact that any such words as Despatches will also be added to the advertisement of a vessel. Legitimate business letters are exempted from the above restriction. The Post Office person is allowed to make collection of stamps for transmission under a penalty of per week during which the practice continues.

Most countries to which Hongkong corresponds have been joined to the Post Office, and being prohibited to send it, notice of the following is strictly observed:  
1.—No Letter or Packet, whether to be lettered or unlettered, can be received for the Post Office unless accompanied by a stamp, or stamps, or anything that, as a rule, is liable to Customs duties.  
2.—This Regulation prohibits the sending of dutiable articles, such as opium, or sugar, or so small as to make the sample valueless.  
3.—The limits of weight allowed are five ounces.  
**COINS AND PAPERS.** To British Officers, PATTERNS.—No, without intrinsic value, BOONS AND PAPERS.—To the Continent.

**PATTERNS.—See.**  
4.—The following articles cannot be sent by Post at all: Glass, Liqueur, Dynamite, Matches, Candles, Soap, Indigo, Dyestuffs, whatever is dangerous to the Mails or otherwise injurious to persons dealing with them.

**PAPERS.**  
The public is reminded that in China Japan, there is no much thing as Paper.

PATTEENS.  
Some difficulty is experienced in obtaining  
general understanding of what is a *Pattern*.  
It is found for example that *Patterns* are  
made for sale, or for which he wishes to  
order. It is curious of the smallest pos-  
sible quantity compatible with showing  
goodly array, and must have no intrinsic value.

